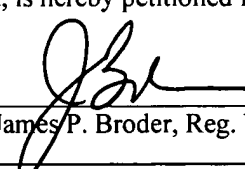
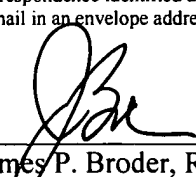




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Invention: A DUAL STAGE, HEAD STACK ASSEMBLY FOR A DISK DRIVE						
<b>TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENT AND TRADEMARKS:</b> Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.						
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NUMBER OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	58	MINUS	21	37	\$18	\$666
INDEP. CLAIMS	6	MINUS	4	2	\$84	\$168
<p>___ Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of _____ to and through _____, comprising a/n extension of the shortened statutory period of:</p> <p>___ one month (\$110)      ___ three months (\$920) ___ two months (\$400)      ___ four months (\$1,140)</p>						
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>						<b>\$834</b>
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A Supplemental Information Disclosure Form 1449A (modified), Transmittal, Certification as specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e), and the references are enclosed.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$834.00 is enclosed.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1141, pertaining to 1) any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims; 2) any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional extension of time required for the timely submission of this paper, the fees for which have not been previously paid, is hereby petitioned for and requested.</p> <p><u>Dec. 20, 2002</u> Date</p> <p> James P. Broder, Reg. No. 43514</p>						
CERTIFICATE OF MAILING: I hereby certify that this correspondence and all correspondence identified as accompanying this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on December 20, 2002.						
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